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1. [REDACTED] Met with Rebecca Switzer, Assistant to Senator James Abourezk (D., S. Dak.), and discussed with her very briefly the Senator's letter of 27 October 1974 requesting information on Agency activities which would require the Agency [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Miss Switzer was particularly interested that we furnish the National Security Act wording or other specific legislative authority for such actions by the Agency. Unfortunately, she was very pressed for time to make a meeting with the Senator, but it was agreed that we would respond in writing to the Senator's letter citing section 102 (d)(5) of the National Security Act. Ms. Switzer will call me after she has received responses from the various other agencies of government--DEA, Justice, etc.--for possible further discussion.

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2. [REDACTED] Talked to Norvill Jones, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, who is handling the Foreign Aid bill in that Committee. Jones told me he expects that the members will continue their support of the Director's position and oppose any new amendment by Senator James Abourezk (D., S. Dak.) to reinsert this language.

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[REDACTED] At his request I told him I would come by and discuss somewhat more in depth the reasoning set forth in our letter of 31 July 1974 to Senator J. W. Fulbright (D., Ark.) requesting the defeat of that provision.

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3. [REDACTED] Received a call from Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, who told me Chairman F. Edward Hebert (D., La.) was in attendance at the morning meeting of the leadership with President Ford. Slatinshek told me the Chairman indicated the meeting went very well--everyone seemed in agreement and also Secretary Kissinger was in attendance. I thanked Slatinshek for the

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4. [REDACTED] In a series of calls to Doug George, Ward & Paul Reporting Firm, Jack Ticer, Chief Clerk, Senate Armed Services Committee, and [REDACTED] Office of Security, arranged for the tapes of the Director's briefing of Thursday, 12 September before the CIA Subcommittee of the Senate Armed Services Committee to be taken to the reporting firm to be transcribed. Senator John C. Stennis (D., Miss.), Chairman of the Subcommittee directed last night that the transcript be completed.

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6. [REDACTED] Talked to Dorothy Fosdick, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations staff, Senate Government Operations Committee, and rescheduled today's briefing to 1:30 p.m., Friday, 20 September. Mr. Duckett, DDS&T, has been advised.

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7. [REDACTED] Received a call from Ellie Vogtmann, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, who told me she had retrieved the transcript of Mr. Allen Dulles' testimony before the Committee on intelligence matters of 11 January 1961. She asked if I would review our file and see if we could provide any further detail on the contents of the briefing for Pat Holt, Chief of Staff of the Committee, since almost the entire briefing had been conducted off the record.

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8. [REDACTED] Met with Guy McConnell, Senate Appropriations Committee staff, and gave him a blind memorandum and supporting documents for the Subcommittee's file concerning the Renegotiation Board and Air America. This is a duplicate of the papers provided earlier in the week for Jim Calloway's, Chief Counsel & Staff Director of the Committee, use with Senator John L. McClellan (D., Ark.), Chairman of the Committee. McConnell was most appreciative.

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